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March 15, 2010

TO: HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL/ART INSTRUCTOR

FROM: Congressman Mike Rogers

RE: 29th ANNUAL CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION

Every year for the past 28 years, the United States House of Representatives has held a Congressional Art Competition entitled, "An Artistic Discovery," which highlights artwork created by high school students from participating Congressional districts throughout the country. Members of Congress who choose to participate invite high school students in their districts to submit artwork to be evaluated by a panel of judges. The winning entry from each Congressional district is then sent to Washington, D.C. to be displayed in the underground walkway to the United States Capitol.

As the Member of Congress representing the Third Congressional District of Alabama, I am again inviting the high school students of my district to participate in "An Artistic Discovery." Enclosed is a copy of the entry requirements, the student information/release form and the competition guidelines.

I look forward to working with the students of my district in this competition. This is an opportunity to recognize the abilities and accomplishments of our young people and encourage their future success. Thank you for your interest. We will be following up with you in the near future to assist you in any way that we can to encourage students to participate.

THIRD DISTRICT CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To participate in the art competition, student information/release forms must be submitted no later than by Noon on Monday, April 26, 2010.

Information/release forms should be typed or printed legibly and faxed to:

**Debby McBride
c/o Congressman Mike Rogers
202/226-8485**

1. Artwork should be submitted no later than Monday, April 26, 2009. IT DOES NOT NEED TO BE FRAMED. IF THERE IS A PROBLEM IN GETTING THE ARTWORK TO US BY THIS DATE, PLEASE CALL DEBBY MCBRIDE AT 202/225-3261. All entries must have a copy of the student entry form attached to the back of the artwork. If the artwork is abstract in design, please indicate on the back of the artwork the top and bottom. Entries must be brought to our District Offices in Anniston, Opelika or Montgomery during the week between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. (Please call the Opelika and Montgomery Offices before making the delivery. If there is no answer and you must deliver that day, please call Debby McBride in the Washington Office at 202/225-3261. The addresses and telephone numbers are as follows:

**Congressman Mike Rogers
1129 Noble Street, #104
Anniston, Alabama 36201
256/236-5655**

**Congressman Mike Rogers
1819 Pepperell Parkway, #203
Opelika, Alabama 36801
334/745-6222**

**Congressman Mike Rogers
7550 Halcyon Summit Drive
Montgomery, Alabama 36117
334/277-4253**

If you envision difficulty in getting the artwork to one of our District Offices by April 26, please call Debby McBride at 202/225-3261. If it is more convenient to bring the artwork directly to the Isabel Anderson Comer Museum in Sylacauga, where it will be on display, this is fine. (Please call the museum before attempting delivery.) The address and telephone number are:

**Isabel Anderson Comer Museum
711 Broadway Avenue, North
Sylacauga, Alabama 35150
(256)245-4016**

2. The artwork will be on display at the Isabel Anderson Comer Museum from Wednesday, April 28, 2009, to Saturday, May 8, 2010.

3. The Awards Ceremony and Reception will take place on Saturday, May 8, 2010, at 2:00 P.M. Students participating in the art competition, their parents, friends and teachers are cordially invited to attend. Food will be served. Congressman Rogers will be there to honor all participating students. Artwork from other than the winner of the contest will be returned the week following the Awards Ceremony and Reception.

FACTS ABOUT THE 3RD DISTRICT ART COMPETITION

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE: An invitation has been extended to each public and private high school in the Third Congressional District. Home school students are also welcome to enter. Artwork does not have to be framed for the competition. Congressman Rogers will be responsible for framing the winning artwork.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION: The artwork will be displayed from **April 28 to May 8, 2010, at** the Isabel Anderson Comer Museum, which is running the Third District Art Contest. The address of the museum is 711 Broadway Avenue, North, Sylacauga, Alabama, and the phone number is 256/245-4016. A panel of qualified judges selected by the museum will select the first, second and third place winners along with six honorable mentions. **On Saturday, May 8, 2010, at 2:00 PM,** the Isabel Anderson Comer Museum will host a reception for all of the artists, their family members and teachers at which awards (prizes) will be presented.

In addition to the recognition by the museum, the winner will also receive a roundtrip airline ticket from Birmingham to Washington for himself/herself and two accompanying adults donated by an airline, hotel accommodations for a four-day/three-night stay donated by the Isabel Anderson Comer Museum, and a scholarship to an art school which can be renewed each year.

The winning artwork from our Congressional District will be hung for one year in the walkway from the Cannon House Office Building to the Capitol and then returned to the artist.